Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, Highway crashes are a major cause of death and disability in South Dakota each year; and,

WHEREAS, Emergency medical services teams respond immediately with well-trained and equipped staff to our calls for help with motor vehicle crashes and all other emergencies; and,

WHEREAS, Emergency medical services teams consist of emergency physicians, nurses, paramedics, educators, administrators and emergency medical technicians, many of whom are volunteers; and,

WHEREAS, The people of South Dakota benefit daily from the knowledge and skill of these trained individuals; and,

WHEREAS, They save lives not only with their medical assistance but also with their prevention messages about the dangers of drinking and driving, the importance of wearing safety belts and putting our children in safety seats; and,

WHEREAS, It is important for South Dakotans to know about our emergency medical services teams and their accomplishments and to learn more about what to do in a medical emergency and who to call:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE S. MICKELSON, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim October 23 through 29, 1988, as

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK

in South Dakota, and I urge all citizens to become more aware of, and show appreciation for, South Dakota's emergency medical services teams, and to support their efforts to promote safe habits, especially on our streets and highways.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Thirteenth Day of September, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Eight

GEORGE S. MICKELSON, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

JOYCE HAZELTINE, SECRETARY OF STATE